



**THE FIRST CONGRESSIONAL ABORTION PROVIDER
APPRECIATION DAY RESOLUTION**
#HonoringAbortionProviders

Congressional Co-Leads: Sen. Mazie Hirono (D-HI), Sen. Gary Peters (D-MI); Rep. Andy Levin (MI-09), Pro-Choice Caucus Co-Chairs Reps. Diana DeGette (CO-01) and Barbara Lee (CA-13); Reps. Cori Bush (MO-01), Pramila Jayapal (WA-07) and Nikema Williams (GA-05)

Endorsing Organizations: 2+ Abortions Worldwide; Access Reproductive Care-Southeast; Advocates for Youth; All* Above All Action Fund; American Medical Student Association; Amplify Georgia Collaborative; A Woman's Choice of Charlotte, Greensboro, Jacksonville and Raleigh Chapters; Abortion Access Front; Black Women's Health Imperative; Catholics for Choice; Center for Reproductive Rights; Chicago Abortion Fund; Cobalt; EMAA Project; Feminist Women's Health Center; Florida Access Network; Freedom From Religion Foundation; Frontera Fund; Global Justice Center; Grandmothers for Reproductive Rights (GRR!); Gynuity Health Projects; Ibis Reproductive Health; Ipas; Jane's Due Process; Lilith Fund; Louisiana Coalition for Reproductive Freedom; Men4Choice Advocacy; Michigan Unitarian Universalist Social Justice Network (MUUSJN); Michigan Voices; NARAL Pro-Choice America; National Abortion Federation; National Birth Equity Collaborative; National Council of Jewish Women; National Family Planning & Reproductive Health Association; National Institute for Reproductive Health; National Latina Institute for Reproductive Justice; National Organization for Women; National Women's Law Center; Nebraska Abortion Resources (NEAR); Physicians for Reproductive Health; Planned Parenthood Federation of America, Planned Parenthood of Michigan, Population Institute; Positive Women's Network USA; Power to Decide; Pro-Choice Connecticut, North Carolina, Missouri, Oregon, Wyoming; ProgressNow New Mexico; Reclaim; Reproductive Health Access Project; Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine; Tampa Bay Abortion Fund; Tampa Bay Access Force; Texas Equal Access Fund, UCSF Bixby Center for Global Reproductive Health; URGE: Unite for Reproductive & Gender Equity; United State of Women; We Testify; Whole Woman's Health Alliance; Women's Health Center of West Virginia; Women's Medical Fund Inc.; Women of Reform Judaism

Background:

On March 10, 1993, Dr. David Gunn was shot and killed outside his abortion clinic in Pensacola, Florida by a white supremacist, antiabortion extremist, in the first known instance of the murder of an abortion provider. To honor his legacy, Abortion Provider Appreciation Day was established on March 10, 1996, as a day to show appreciation for the essential, high-quality care that abortion providers and clinic staff provide to their communities and to celebrate their courage and dedication. With the proliferation of harmful abortion bans and restrictions across the country, abortion providers are rendered more vulnerable to harassment. This resolution affirms that abortion providers are essential and valued as they provide care despite pressures, restrictions, political interference and violent threats to their personal safety.

Our resolution:

- Extends Congressional recognition of Abortion Provider Appreciation Day;

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- Lauds the communities across the country who proudly support their abortion providers and clinic staff;
- Affirms Congress' commitment to ensuring the safety of abortion providers and their ability to continue providing the essential care their patients need; and
- Declares a vision for a future where access to abortion is liberated from restrictions and bans universally.